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SUBJ: CIVAIR - PAN AMERICAN SCHEDULE CHANGES

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1. PAN AM ADVISES DEPARTMENT THAT IN ADDITION TO THE 707 PASSENGER FREQUENCY FROM THE US VIA HONOLULU, PAGO PAGO AND AUCKLAND TO MELBOURNE, AND THE ALL CARGO SERVICE FROM THE US VIA HONOLULU, AND AUCKLAND TO SYDNEY, PROPOSED FOR INTRODUCTION APRIL 6, AND REGARDING WHICH THE US DEL CHAIRMAN ADVISED THE AUSTRALIAN CHAIRMAN, IT NOW PROPOSES AN ADDITIONAL PASSENGER FREQUENCY USING 707 AIRCRAFT TO BE INAUGURATED EFFECTIVE APRIL 6. FREQUENCY IN QUESTION IS THE ONE ALLUDED TO IN MEADOWS DISCUSSIONS REGARDING A POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL COMBINATION SERVICE TO BE OFFERED BY SEPTEMBER WHEN STABILIZATION SCHEME EXPIRES.

2. ROUTING OF NEW PAN AM SERVICE WILL BE FROM WEST COAST VIA HONOLULU, PAGO PAGO, AND AUCKLAND TO SYDNEY AND RETURN. CONGEN IS REQUESTED INFORM GOA AUTHORITIES INVOKING SHORT FILING PROVISIONS GIVEN SPECIAL
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CIRCUMSTANCES TO MINIMIZE PASSENGER INCONVENIENCE

ARISING FROM AMERICAN AIRLINES SUSPENSION EFFECTIVE MARCH 1
AS SEPTEMBER 1973 AGREEMENT ALLOWED THREE 747 AND NINE
B-707 FLIGHTS FOR US FLAG CARRIERS, AND SINCE WITH
CHANGE MENTIONED ABOVE TOTAL PASSENGER SERVICE WILL

CONSIST OF TWO 747 AND SEVEN B-707 FLIGHTS INCREASE
CLEARLY FALLS WITHIN AGREED STABILIZATION LEVELS.
ALL-CARGO SERVICE NOT INCLUDED IN THESE CALCULATIONS
SINCE STABILIZATION SCHEME WAS LIMITED TO PASSENGER
SERVICE.

3. ALTHOUGH US HOLDS THAT THIS NEW SERVICE IS NOT AN
INCREASE, A PRECEDENT MAY HAVE BEEN SET WHEN CONGEN
SUBMITTED TO GOA AUTHORITIES THE EARLIER REQUEST FOR
PASSENGER SERVICE TO MELBOURNE AND THE ALL-CARGO SERVICE
TO SYDNEY. CONGEN IS ACCORDINGLY REQUESTED TO OBTAIN
LATEST SCHEDULES FROM PAN AM REP AND TRANSMIT, BUT
WITHOUT REFERENCE TO STABILIZATION SCHEME, SINCE IN OUR
VIEW NO INCREASE IN TOTAL US CAPACITY IS INVOLVED. KISSINGER

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